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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:	BOARD OF MENTAL HEALTH AND CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY PROFESSIONALS
MEETING DATE AND TIME:	Wednesday, May 25, 2011 at 12:00 p.m.
PLACE:	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware Conference Room A , second floor of the Cannon Building
MINUTES APPROVED	6/22/11

MEMBERS PRESENT

Robert Doyle, Public Member, **President**, Presiding
Dr. William Northey, LMFT, **Secretary**
Ruth Banta, Public Member
Daniel Cooper, LPCMH
Mary Davis, LCDP 12:02 p.m. – 1:31 p.m.
Tracy Hansen, LMFT 12:02 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.
Julius Mullen, LPCMH
Clayton Yocum, Sr., Public Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Danny Stevenson, Deputy Attorney General
Kay Warren, Deputy Director
Jessica Williams, Administrative Specialist II

MEMBERS ABSENT

Lisa Ritchie, Professional Member, **Vice President**
Daniel Cherneski, LMFT
Vera Murrell, Public Member

ALSO PRESENT

Constance Hamilton
Julie LaBadia, Wilcox & Fetzer
Bruce Palmer, DPCA
Susan Purcell, Deputy Attorney General

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Doyle called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

MHCDP Meeting Minutes – April 27, 2011

The Board reviewed the April 27, 2011 meeting minutes for approval. Ms. Banta made a

motion, seconded by Dr. Northey, to approve the minutes as written. Motion unanimously carried.

HEARING

12:45 p.m. – Formal Hearing – Case 33-01-10, 33-02-10, 33-03-10 Against Constance Hamilton

Mr. Stevenson informed the Board that Ms. Hamilton agreed to a consent agreement. After reviewing the consent agreement, Mr. Yocum made a motion, seconded by Dr. Northey, to accept the consent agreement. Motion unanimously carried. The Board affixed their signatures to the consent agreement.

The Board observed a brief recess from 12:55 p.m. until 1:14 p.m.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Review Draft of Rules and Regulations

The Board reviewed the draft of the proposed rules and regulations that Mr. Stevenson prepared. Dr. Northey made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hansen to accept the proposed rules and regulations. Mr. Stevenson stated that this information must be submitted to the Register of Regulations prior to having a public hearing.

Continuing Education Audit

The Board reviewed the audit documentation that was submitted.

Review Previously Tabled Request to Return to Active Status – Maggie Hurley

The Board reviewed additional documents that Ms. Hurley submitted for their review to return to active status. Dr. Northey made a motion, seconded by Ms. Davis, to approve the continuing education documents that Ms. Hurley submitted and allow her to return to active status. Motion unanimously carried.

Review Previously Tabled Request for Special Accommodations to Sit for the AMFTRB Exam- Cynthia Chestnut

The Board reviewed Ms. Chestnut's request for special accommodations to sit for the AMFTRB Exam. Dr. Northey made a motion, seconded by Ms. Davis, to approve Ms. Chestnut for special accommodations as requested. Motion unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Review of Applications for LPCMH Licensure by Certification – Abayomi Adebowale

The Board reviewed Abayomi Adebowale's application for LPCMH licensure by certification. Mr. Cooper made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hansen, to **approve** the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Applications for LPCMH Licensure by Certification – Traci Coleman

The Board reviewed Traci Coleman's application for LPCMH licensure by certification. Mr. Cooper made a motion, seconded by Ms. Davis, to **approve** the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Applications for LPCMH Licensure by Certification – Gina Simon

The Board reviewed Gina Simon's application for LPCMH licensure by certification. Mr. Cooper made a motion, seconded by Ms. Davis, to **approve** the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Applications to Sit for the AMFTRB Exam – Fred Brako

The Board reviewed Fred Brako's application to sit for the AMFTRB Exam. Dr. Northey made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hansen, to **approve** the applicant to sit for the AMFTRB Exam. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Applications for LACMH Licensure by Certification – Rose Straub

The Board reviewed Rose Straub's application for LACMH licensure by certification. Ms. Ritchie made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yocum, to **approve** the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Assign Complaints

Complaint number 33-01-11 was assigned to Dr. Mullen.

Complaint number 33-03-11 was assigned to Dr. Drevno.

Discussion Regarding COAMFTE Accreditation

Dr. Northey stated that the COAMFTE is requesting a letter of support from the Delaware Board in order to maintain their Accreditation status. Mr. Doyle made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hansen, to assign Dr. Northey to draft the letter of support which will be signed by the Board President. Motion unanimously carried.

Correspondence

The Board reviewed the correspondence from Mr. Donald Hearn regarding his continuing education audit. Dr. Northey made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hansen, not to accept the CE's that he requested to use for the audit (Supervision). Motion unanimously carried. Mr. Hearn will need to be scheduled for a rule to show cause hearing if he does not make up the hours that he was found deficient, even if he wishes to surrender his license, according to his correspondence to the Board.

Other Business (for discussion only)

Ms. Davis informed the Board that she has agreed to serve another term. She also stated that she found it alarming that there were so few LCDP's in the state. She inquired as to what she can do as a board member to potentially increase the number of licensees.

Dr. Northey stated that he is opposed to the previously recommended board composition. He feels that by reducing the number of professionals for each profession, it will ultimately endanger the public. He asked that the Board revisit the topic during the June meeting.

Public Comment

There was no public comment

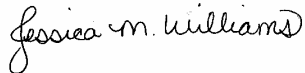
Next Meeting Date

The Board's next meeting is scheduled for June 22, 2011, at 12:00 p.m., in Conference Room A of the Cannon Bldg., 861 Silver Lake Blvd., Dover, Delaware.

Adjournment

Mr. Yocum made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cooper, to adjourn. Motion unanimously carried. There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jessica M. Williams". The signature is written in black ink on a white rectangular background.

Jessica Williams
Administrative Specialist II